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EDITORIALS.

LET US FOLLOW GEORGIA'S EXAMPLE.

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On this page of this issue will be found the cartoon taken from the Atlanta Journal. It will be remembered that a member of the Georgia Legislature, named Hardwick, copied the proposed North Carolina disfranchising amendment and introduced it in the Georgia Legislature and tried to pass it. The vote was taken on November 29th, and the amendment was defeated by the overwhelming vote of 137 to 3.

The Atlanta Journal the next morning published the cut which appears on this page of this issue of THE CAUCASIAN, with the statement underneath the cut which we also copy from the Journal.

We also publish a synopsis of the discussion of the amendment as taken from the Atlanta Constitution, which will be found on this front page underneath the cut. If Georgia acted with wisdom, justice and moderation in voting down this amendment why would not the voters of North Carolina also exercise wisdom, justice, and moderation by voting it down. We believe they will do so. They will not only show the same moderation for the old ex-slave, which the people of Georgia showed, but they will also decline to take any chances of disfranchising fifty or sixty thousand illiterate white voters of the State, at the same time. Let us follow Georgia's example.

One F. D. Winston, who urged his fellow members of the last legislature to sink their consciences and adopt the amendment is now out before the people trying to get them to also sink their consciences and endorse the same piece of treacherous infamy.

When a man sticks to Populist principles, and refuses to go over to the machine that has called him and family negroes, the machine papers say he is a tool of Butler, and all such boch! Such stuff is easier for these "folks" than to discuss Democratic pledges made in the last campaign, or answer Populist argument now.

While the Citizen is having a fit trying to make people believe that support of the amendment is the supreme test of democracy, the Morning Post in quoting "a lawyer of roulette and a gentleman of intelligence," who says it should not be a party issue. This is such a milestone that those who insist on loading their necks with it, ought to be accommodated. It is "a monster of such frightful men" that the wonder is that any could be found to embrace or defend it. But the act of making it a test of party soundness is the growing absurdity of the season.—Asheville Gazette.

When some little fellow waits under the last of the machine, like a dog and lick his hand that smote him; the papers have him to sign a letter and they publish it, as a great victory. They know, that in the community in which the fellow lives, it will do no good; but they hope it will help in other sections where the fellow is not known. But the people in all parties, have become disgusted at such "grabbing at straws." If we were to give the names of Democrats who write and say they cannot vote for the machine and the amendment, it would surprise the natives. We do not give their names, for the reason we do not want the machine to turn its ash hopper and red shirt gang loose on them.

Jefferson said "Judges are as honest as other men and not more so." And he said, substantially, that "whenver a free people should give up absolute submission to any department of government, retaining for themselves no appeal from it, their liberties were gone."—News and Observer.

We agree with the above. If Jefferson was in North Carolina, he would say "the liberties of a people were gone," when they could take "no appeal from a Democratic registrar" in refusing to put a name on the registration books, as is possible by the Simmons machine election law.

Had you noticed that the Democratic papers and speakers have had the word sent down the line, not to recognize the Populists as a party? It is done to help prize Mr. Simmons out of the hole in which Chairman Butler put him, by that challenge for a joint canvass. The only thing Mr. Simmons could say was, "we don't recognize you as a party." And they don't want to give Mr. Simmons the lie by talking and writing, "People's Party." But we want to say to Populists in the country, you individually, will be abused and ridiculed as Populists. But when the little things come around, remind them that the machine has decided that it is better to recognize Populists; that Populists are dead, why mess with dead carcasses; nothing but buzzards, living, depends upon dead carcasses.

It's not the negro. The Democratic leaders are afraid of, for they are with liquor, money, redshirts and guns vote them. Any way, the larger the negro majority in the East the larger the Democratic majority at the polls. But its the white men, especially in the West that they are afraid of, for they know they can't intimidate and count them out and hold their job. Hence, Aycock wants to "rule by law," viz: By disfranchising them. If you don't believe it, just vote for the amendment and you will see.

BURKE DEMOCRATS.

Pretend Like They Are Seeing Spooks.

NONE BUT GUILTY MEN FEAR.

They Say Blackburn's Threat to Goebel Is Begun to be Executed—George Blalock Is Going to Intimidate Democrats.

Morganton Cor. News and Observer.

Local Republican heelers are boasting upon the streets of Morganton, that Columbus Blalock, one of Harbin's revenue raiders, has been ordered to open an office in Burke county, ostensibly to look after distilleries, but really to intimidate and bully Burke county Democrats. Blalock was with George Pritchard on the Roan Mountain and killed a man who resisted arrest and shot Pritchard. He has been in several other shooting affairs. He accompanied J. C. Pritchard, as body guard, to Newton, and is generally regarded as the bully of the Reddies.

Burke county Democrats have never yet backed down. They have carried the country, when the town was occupied by a regiment of Federal soldiers sent to back the Republican leaders. People are indignant at the suggestion that they can be intimidated by armed desperadoes sent here under the pretense of enforcing the Internal Revenue laws. They will hold the local leaders answerable for this insult to the community and for any violence that this ill-advised step may provoke.

The people of the whole State should understand how arrogant this man Blackburn is becoming. The sons of three hundred men from Burke, who sleep in soldier's graves, will see whether the Goebel act can be performed by a single revenue bushwhacker.

Nobody in Morganton is scared. They know he was not sent there for that sort of business. No one but a fool thinks one man could intimidate two thousand men, much less a dozen.

A dozen men who would sanction such a howl to be sent out, exhibits themselves before the world as a mighty big set of cowards. No one in Morganton is scared. It is done to excite the people in other sections and to keep them from seeing the trick of the machine. It is like white folks being scared (?) to death of the negro, fearing he is going to do some harm, when the poor, black devil is running for his own life.

Such stuff makes brave men tired.

Such a report slanders Burke. If armed forces are such a terror to good people, why did the Democrats provide in their election law armed forces at the polls? Was that to intimidate too? If one man is such a terror, how about three? And these three having power to make more?

Democrats can threaten. They can say they are going to "carry the State by force." They can say they will not make the State a slave-ryed. They can say Butler shall not speak at Rockingham and Little Washington. Adams' life can be threatened. This is all right. Yet, when one revenue officer is sent to Morganton, the Democrats make out they are scared plumb to death.

Blalock is not the only man in the State who has killed a man, and holds office. And they are not all Republicans, either. They are good men. They belong to the churches, and are active party workers, too. They are not considered dangerous. No one is afraid of them, except those who are guilty. The machine ought to wait on Mr. McKinley and give him orders that the free nigger and free liquor in North Carolina belongs to Democrats. If the revenue department sent him there to intimidate, then that is nearly as mean as to organize a drunken red-shirt gang to intimidate. If that Democrat of Morganton, Adams, is not afraid of one man, the accounts for their remaining in the Democratic party. They are afraid of red shirts.

Pritchard was shot and then Blalock shot the man who shot Pritchard. He would have been a fool to have stood still and let the other fellow kill him.

A GOLDBUG THREAT.

Speaking of Mr. Towne as a vice-presidential candidate, the Statesville Landmark says:

"The question is, do Democrats want to vote for that sort of man for Vice-President? We know some of them don't and some of them are not going to, no matter what sort of an 'arrangement' is made."

The Landmark expresses the sentiments of Palmer and Buckner Democrats. This element in the Democratic party will work hard to defeat Mr. Towne's nomination at Kansas City, knowing that by such action they can accomplish the defeat of Bryan in November. Will the yellow tail be able to wag the white dog?—Times-Mercury.

THE BROKEN PLEDGE.

The democrats will never submit to any proposition to the people to take from a man his right to vote. * * *

There is not a Democratic convention that would not SPIT UPON A MAN WHO MIGHT MAKE SUCH A PROPOSITION. There is not a Democratic candidate for office WHO WOULD NOT PLEDGE HIMSELF MOST SOLEMNLY AGAINST IT.

Supplement to Democratic Handbook, published by the North Carolina Democratic Executive Committee, October 1, 1898.

A special dispatch from Shanghai, dated May 30th says: "Yesterday the Chinese government issued an edict prohibiting the Boxers from organizing under penalty of death. The edict, which was signed by the Emperor, was couched in equivocal terms and promulgated really more as an excuse than in condemnation of the movement."

All Men Must Be Educated to Register.

After 1908.

A correspondent reporting the Democratic speaking at Braxford, says Dr. Dixon, Democratic candidate for State Auditor, made the astonishing



(In Georgia)—FORMER SLAVE OWNER TO EX-SLAVE: We have the power to disfranchise you but we will not do it. Stay here and help us build up Georgia. We will not show ingratitude by disfranchising you, but will give you justice and your political rights.—Atlanta Journal, November 30th, 1899.

(In North Carolina)—FORMER SLAVE OWNER TO EX-SLAVE: This proposed disfranchising amendment is unconstitutional. We cannot take the ballot from you without at the same time taking it from the illiterate white man. But if it were constitutional, and we could do it, we do not think it justice to disfranchise the faithful old slave while leaving the town negro due to vote. During the late war you stood faithfully by us and our wives and base crime of ingratitude.—ED. CAUCASIAN.

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Did Spencer Blackburn kill Goebel?

Wonder if that \$100,000 reward
has been exhausted!

Since the News and Observer has
found the man who killed Goebel, it
ought to send for that \$100,000 re-
ward.

Democratic leaders say they have
all the truth and argument, yet
they will not agree to meet the
Populists.

Democrats claim they have a
large majority of the voters in the
State. If so, they got up that dishonest
election law so they can hold them.

We have an article containing
news from Swansboro which has
been misplaced and hence has not
yet been published. Will publish
the same next week.

Democrats say they have a
majority of voters in the State. Is
that why they had armed bailiffs
at the polls, so that the few Populists
can't persuade them away
from them?

The detectives might take the
News and Observer and find the man
who killed Goebel. If they need any
further evidence, they could pose
some Democratic editors on the
stand.

Democrats ran two "niggers" in
Franklin, and, with them, de-
feated three white men. How is
that for "White Supremacy"? That
too, last year and this year under
Democratic rule.

It will soon be in order for the
Democrats to begin to publish some
political letters from Revs. Setzer
and Page. There are some citizens
in Catawba, and Lincoln and Pitt
counties who want to ask them
some "white supremacy" questions.

Why don't the Democratic head-
quarters publish the election law
and amendment? Democrats keep
telling here for them. Are the
Democrats afraid or ashamed to
send them out? The best thing the
Populist headquarters could do is to
send them out by the thousands.

According to Democratic papers,
110,000 Populists and white Repub-
licans have joined the Democrats,
giving the Democrats about 250,000
out of 350,000 voters. So there can't
be "nigger rule" unless the Democ-
rats give it. But they fear they
have not been telling the truth. Do
you, see?

Hon. L. L. Witherspoon, of New-
ton, Populist candidate for Judge of
the 10th Judicial District, was in this
city Monday and Tuesday on legal
business. He reports that politics
are in keeping with the weather in
the West—hot. He says the anti-
amendment sentiment is growing.
Every man of every party who will
investigate the amendment and election
law, will find that it's the poor
white man's fight for future political
liberty in this country.

The "rump" legislature meets
here Tuesday. They hardly know
what. They will stay here a
few or ten days. Then take a re-
cess to come back—perhaps at
Christmas. It is like pulling their
eye teeth to take the political bone
from a Democrat whether there is
any marrow in the bone or not. It
is the first General Assembly that
has to take recess, rest and come
back to correct its own errors.

SENATOR BLACKBURN FOR HONEST ELECTIONS.

In the last issue of THE CAUCASIAN we published an extract from an address to the Democrats of Kentucky by Senator Blackburn under date of May 23rd. In this address Senator Blackburn not only declared for the repeal of the Gobell election law, but for the enactment of a law instead that would be perfectly fair and honest to all voters and parties. Senator Blackburn went further and pointed out the kind of Election Law that it was necessary to pass to ensure honest elections. He declared that every political party ought to have representation of their own choosing on all Election Boards. He declared that this was fair and just, that it was the essence of an honest Election Law, and that no one could oppose it and claim to be in favor of honest elections. The extract which we copied has attracted wide attention and caused great interest in the paper containing it. Inasmuch as there is such wide public interest in these utterances of Senator Blackburn we will make some further extracts from his address.

We quote the following:

"The Democratic party is not afraid to trust the people. Nor does it believe that it must retain its ascendancy and power except by the concurrence and consent of a majority of the people, to be fully, freely and fairly expressed and ascertained at the polls.

"To assume that the Democratic party would enact or keep on the statute books an election law without our proper amendment after it had been demonstrated that such law was inadequate for the purpose desired is to assume that the party, either by reason of the men it nominates for office or of the principles it advocates, is afraid of the people and cannot and should not accept their support."

Consequently Senator Blackburn speaking of the Gobell election law said of its purpose as is shown by the vote on final count at the last election: Is anyone so bigoted that he would refuse to amend the law because the original framers could not fully anticipate all the schemes and wiles of the ever active agencies of force and fraud?"

Senator Blackburn then proceeds to declare that it is the duty of the Democratic party to frame an honest election law not only because it is right to do so, but also because the party will lose votes by not doing so. He admits that the Gobell law has lost the party many votes. Senator Blackburn then proceeds to declare what should be one of the cardinal principles in an honest election law. He says:

"The convention should therefore declare for an amendment to the present election law so as to give to each of the two leading political parties majority and minority representation upon both the state and county boards of election commissioners and an equal division of election officers among the electing precincts. Such precinct officers to be chosen and appointed by the county boards of election commissioners from a list to be furnished by each respective party, and the law should be so safe-guarded as to protect both the election officers and the voters from FORCE, FRAUD, CORRUPTION AND INTIMIDATION with adequate penalties to compel all persons from whom any duties are enjoined relative to the casting, counting, and certifying of votes to honesty, faithfully, fairly, and promptly discharge the same."

This will be seen that Senator Blackburn recognizes the fact that the only way to assure an honest election is for each political party to have representation on all election boards—not representation selected by some other party, but by each respectively.

They say the opposition shall have a representative at the voting precincts, but they deny to the opposition the right to select that representative. They have arranged to select that representative themselves. This is the same arrangement that Mr. Simmons had in his ballot-box stuffing law of 1894. The law said the opposition should have representatives at the voting places, but it gave to the machine the power to select them. Who was the character of man selected by Simmons and his ballot-box stuffing henchmen to represent the Populist and Republican party in 1894? At election precincts where they did not dare to steal or had no desire to steal, they did put in fairly good men to represent the opposition. Indeed in some precincts they would sometimes take the most valuable and active worker so as to tie his hands and prevent him from doing work for his party on the day of election, but at the election precincts where it was necessary for them to steal votes to get a majority of a certain county or district, what kind of men did they select as representatives for the opposition on the election board?

They took men who were weak or ignorant and who they thought they could corrupt with money or make drunk with whiskey. In many places they took the ignorant, big, burley, black negro, while there were hundreds of white Populists and Republicans from whom they could have selected a fit and intelligent representative for the opposition. In many places they did even worse. If there was a blind negro in the township, they would select him, and where they could not find a negro blind in one eye, they got a n-gro blind in one eye. This has been the GREATEST and most STRIKING ILLUSTRATION of negro domination in North Carolina.

Is not the Simmons machine preparing to do the same thing in this election? If not, why is this same iron lion still in this election law? Mr. Simmons and his red-shirt organ will no doubt indignantly protest that they are not intent to steal. If they do not intend to let the legislature, when it meets on June 12th strike this provision

from the election law, and in its stead put in the provision recommended by Senator Blackburn, giving to the opposition an EQUAL number of judges of election at every voting precinct in the State, judges for the opposition selected by the opposition. Nobody but ballot box thieves can oppose such a provision, which is so fair and just.

HYPOCRIST AND "RING RULE."

It is strange that men are prepared subjects to belong to the church, and in religion can be called brothers, and in business and society they are considered honest and respectable; yet, when they oppose a certain self-constituted political machine, they become scoundrels, deserve death, must be hounded down and insulted by drunken red shirt gangs; and the man's neighbors and business friends, brethren in the church, may say amen to all this persecution. Even his pastor who married him, who buried his dead, who baptized him, who enjoys his hospitality and takes his money on salary, must also quietly see and hear him abused and then go and vote with the machine that persecutes him, or the preacher, too, loses his job. Now this is true. In the day of judgment—unless they are saved wholly and solely by the grace of God all these are lost. How long (so called) men and Christians will stand at such hypocrisy and ring rule," awaits to be seen.

A DEMOCRATIC NEGRO.

It is reported that John A. Denny, a negro from Watauga county, where there are only about seventy-five negroes in the whole county, was elected as a delegate to the Democratic State convention. When taken to task for electing this negro as a delegate to the convention, the Watauga Democrat replied as follows:

"We have not traced his genealogy, but if he was as black as the ace of spades, he is not the class of negroes that the acting editor of the 'Patriot' and a few of his stripe are howling themselves hoarse in trying to force upon the white people of Eastern and central Carolina."

Oh, no, this negro, Denny, is not of that class because he is a DEMOCRATIC negro; therefore, in acting with that organization, he immediately becomes a VERY GOOD negro. After all, it seems that it is only a case of whose ox is gored. If he is a Democratic negro, he is all right in their estimation. This proves the hypocrisy of the cry of "nigga" to all fair minded and thoughtful men.

AYCOCK MAKES VOTES AGAINST THE AMENDMENT.

In 1898 every little Democratic speaker frothed and foamed at the mouth day and night, saying "no Democrat would stoop to vote for any law that would disfranchise any single white man." But they have fallen from that high plane of justice, and now even say they will.

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President Rhodes reported the most successful year and by very much the largest attendance in the history of the institution.

The friends of Littleton Female College rejoice in the fact that her prospects were never brighter than at this time, and they are justly proud of the good work she is doing.

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SOME VERY INTERESTING READING REPRODUCED.

From The News and Observer 1898 Campaign Utterances--The Affidavits of "Men of Character and Standing"--What Simmons Said and What Simmons and his Legislature Did do.

Read the Following Carefully and Then Say Who Lied.

(From the News and Observer, October 28, 1898.)

The following letters are self-explanatory and give the lie, once for all, to the charge being made by the Fusionists, that it is the purpose of the Democrats, in case they get the Legislature, to disfranchise the negro.

RALEIGH, N.C., Oct. 17, 1898.
HONS. JAMES E. SHEPHERD, C. M. BUSBEE, R. O. BURTON AND W. N. JONES, GENTLEMEN:—The Republican Fusion candidates for the Legislature and county offices in this county are trying to scare the people by falsely stating that if the Democrats are elected, they will at once pass an act of the Legislature to disfranchise the negroes. This statement is so absurd and foolish, it is hardly necessary to deny it, but in order to satisfy the public, I will be obliged if you will give me your opinion, whether the Legislature has the power to pass any law to disfranchise any one, and oblige. Yours truly,

ARMISTEAD JONES, Chairman Wake Co. Dem. Ex. Com.

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ARMISTEAD JONES, ESQ., RALEIGH, N.C. DEAR SIR:—In answer to inquiry we would say that the Constitution of North Carolina, Article 6, Section 1 provides that "every man person born in the United States, and every male person who has been naturalized twenty-one years old and upwards, who shall have resided in the State for six months next preceding the election, and ninety days in the county in which he offers to vote, shall be deemed an elector. But no person, who, upon conviction or confession in open court, shall be adjudged guilty of felony or any other crime infamous by the laws of this State, and hereafter committed, shall be deemed an elector, unless such person shall be restored to the rights of citizenship in the manner prescribed by law."

The Populist party of Sampson Co. is all right and don't you forget it. We love Marion Butler, Cy Thompson and the Populist party and we will stick to them.

W. F. SESOMS.

DAVE MEN FALL.

Victims to succumb, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel the results in the loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness, etc. and general listlessness, drowsiness, etc. But there is no need to feel like that. Listen to J. W. Gardner, Idaho, Ind. He says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he is all run down, and don't care whether he lives or dies. It does more for him than any medicine I could find. I can eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50cts at all drug stores. Every bottle guaranteed.

DEMOCRATS OPPOSE THE AMENDMENT.

Locke Craig Did Not Have 20 Voters. Our People are Posted, Will Not be Fooled and Are Not Afraid of Red Shirts.

Editor CAUCASIAN.

We are all right in this township. Our folks are too well posted to be fooled by any false statements. We are going to take care of ourselves. It takes something more than a Simon pie or a red shirt to fool our people. There are not 20 Democrats in the township who will vote for the amendment. They cannot get any one to hear them lie.

The Hon. Locke Craig spoke here last week, and they made a strong effort to get a crowd to hear him, but there were not more than 20 voters present, including men of all political parties.

In my opinion Simmons made a fool of himself when he refused a division of time with the Peoples Party, but maybe he did not want the honest people to hear him lie.

A fellow don't like to swear before a preacher on account of the respect he has for him. Probably Simmons don't want good folks to hear his crowd lie.

Respectfully, A. P. Hope Mills, N.C.

THE DISFRANCHISEMENT LIE IS AT AN END.

(From the News and Observer, October 23, 1898.)

THERE WILL BE NO DISFRANCHISEMENT.

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The Democratic party has always stood for the largest measure of individual liberty compatible with peace, order, and the public good, and has consistently advocated the retention of local autonomy in all matters consistent with the existing social and economical order.

There is in this campaign no departure from its traditional policy.

Speaking for the Democratic organization at the great rally at Salisbury this week, Mr. James E. Pon pledged the people that the Democratic Legislature of 1899 would not disfranchise any man. He also pointed out that under the recent decision of the Supreme Court it will be easy to relieve the white men of the East from the domination of the negro without taking any action whatever to shorten the ballot.

Mr. Pon further declared that home rule in the white counties would be in no way interfered with. This is the settled conviction and purpose of the Democracy. If it failed to relieve the East from the disgrace of negro rule it would be a traitor to white civilization. If it should attempt to curtail the privileges of the counties ruled by the whites it would be untrue to its principles and its settled policy.

THE FINISH OF THE DISFRANCHISEMENT FAKE.

(From the News and Observer Nov. 5 1898.)

One of the most persistent and oft-repeated of the falsehoods used to bolster up and defend corruption and profuse a series of frauds on the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, cough and colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine and have satisfied thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the throat, chest and lungs are surely cured by it. Call on all druggists and get a free trial bottle. Regular size 50cts and \$1. Every bottle guaranteed or price refunded.

The Hon. H. Finley Snipes, member of the present Legislature from Hertford county, is under treatment for appendicitis in the Old Dominion hospital, Richmond, Va. His condition has been critical for several weeks.

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MASS MEETING!

A mass meeting of the People's Party of Rockingham county is hereby called to meet in the court house at Wentworth, Sat. June 23, 1900,

For the purpose of nominating candidates for the Legislature and various county offices, and to transact such other business as the meeting may desire.

SENATOR MARION BUTLER,

will be present and address the people on the issues of the day.

Let everybody go and hear our distinguished Senator.

J. C. LASLEY, Chairman,

People's Party Co. Ex. Com.

June 1st, 1900

WINSTON, N.C., Nov. 3, 1898.

HON. F. M. SIMMONS, Raleigh, N.C.—We were present and heard every word of your speech at Wilkesboro. The statement that you said in your speech that if the Democrats got the Legislature they would pass a law similar to that of South Carolina and Mississippi and disfranchise negroes, is a lie out of the whole cloth. No such statement was made by you, nor anything from which such an inference could be drawn.

(SIGNED) G. J. BUXTON, CLEMENT MANLY, A. H. ELLER, J. G. HACKETT, J. P. ROUSSEAU, F. H. WILSON, R. M. MCARTHUR.

From Wilkesboro the following affidavit was received:

NORTH CAROLINA, Wilkes County.

Personally appeared Dr. J. M. Turner, and being sworn, says as follows:

"That I heard the speech of Hon. F. M. Simmons at the court house, in Wilkesboro, on the 18th of August. The only reference made to the election law was that, if the Democrats got in power, they would pass an election law which would prohibit shipping in of illegal voters on the eve of election from Virginia, South Carolina and other States. He further stated that under the recent decision of the Supreme Court we could have one system of county government in the East and one in the West, so that white government could be restored in the East without interfering with the present system in the West."

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(Signed) J. M. TURNER.

Sworn and subscribed before me November 3, 1898.

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The CAGUASIAN:
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Let us take the 15th amendment to the constitution of the United States is repealed, every voter, in my opinion, purges himself who votes for the amendment, he is sworn to support the constitution of the United States.

2nd, My idea of the race question is not that it is now so open that the negro is here among us, or that we can legislate him away from here now. In

the fact that he is allowed to vote, and until the 15th amendment to the

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that cannot be prevented by legislation, they are disfranchised also.

But the great wrong that can and ought to be righted is the amalgamation of the races. This is, however, prohibited by intermarriage, but not the worst kind, that of illegitimacy.

In recent years a woman is no longer compelled to marry her mate if they should do, and then the fine or imprisonment should be heavy. This constitutional amendment, if adopted, certainly puts a premium on illegitimate amalgamation, if the grandfather clause could stand, as any half brother, grandfather, could vote under same conditions as prescribed for any other voter, and there might be a great howl from the aristocrats of the State, as that is the only class of white men that are guilty of the offence, and to look through a crowd of negroes and see the white blood will astonish any one who has not thought of this question.

The aristocratic slave owners and those who employ the most of the negroes in their houses are the ones that will howl.

Now, this is a very uncommon thing for a white woman to become a mother of a negro child, and when that is the case, she is ruined for all time, and if the same rule was applied to the men, there would be no need to howl white supremacy.

Then another point where white children are not able to learn to read and write by the time they are 18 years old, they are not likely ever to learn; for if their parents are not able to send them to a free school before that time, they will need their help after that age; and besides, they will feel an inferiority complex, and go to school, that they will not then likely go if they had the opportunity.

And further, this is the great question which caused the Revolutionary War, "Taxation without representation."

Still further, is it not a threat at the free school system of the State, as it would not be just, if (it were law), to require a man to pay poll tax, unless allowed to vote.

Just as well tax the women. They are not allowed to vote, nor do they pay poll tax; but then their property and taxes are non-property tax.

Let the extra session of the Legislature propose an amendment requiring the Legislature to meet only once in four years, and elect all county officers for four years, and not to allow any county officer to succeed himself in office, either as an annual election law and I will vote for that.

Very Respectfully,
S. A. LOWRANCE.

THE DEMOCRATIC SPEAKING.

Add Big Barbecue at Fearington's Mills, May 28th.

We asked a friend to write us the particulars of their great meeting. He did so, and the following facts we gathered from his letter:

The speaking and barbecue was well advertised for miles around. The posters said Aycock, Simmons and others would speak. Then they changed and said Goldsboro, Simmons, Hayes, Atwater and others would speak. But when the time came Aycock, Simmons and Glenn could not be there. They sent special invitations to every young man and old bachelor, and prepared a barbecue for 3,000 people.

But by actual count, only 200 people attended. Mr. Simmons of Raleigh spoke second. He spoke 20 minutes, arguing a self-evident and admitted fact, viz.: Whites are more competent than blacks to rule. He said, "if the People's Party would help to carry the amendment the Democrats would never hold it again." Then they said in 1868. Then he promised longer schools in every district. (Why did they not change the constitution so as to get more than 66% cents on the \$100.00 worth of property then?)

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L. H. O.

The Hon. Sam Jones has decided to support Mr. Debs for the President. Said it was very necessary for him to unpack his trunk. (A poor reason, when the State is in such eminent (?) danger of negro rule.) He had had from Thursday to unpack his trunk in

The speeches and crowd indicate a decided majority for the amendment. And unless Mr. Atwater's election law does give the Democrats a chance to steal, like he said the Republicans did in the Ninth District Chatham county will go anti-democratic by at least 600 majority.

REPORTER.

A NIGHT OF TERROR.

"Awful anxiety was felt for the widow of the brave General Burnham of Machias, Me., when the doctors said she could not live till morning" writes Mrs. D. Lincoln, who attended the last funeral. "I thought she must soon die from pneumonia, but she begged for Dr. King's New Discovery, saying it had more than once saved her life, and had cured her of Consumption. After three small doses she slept easily all night and its further completely cured her." This marvelous medicine was recommended to cure all throat, Chest and Lung Diseases. Only \$5.00 and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at all drug stores.

Carolina News, Clipped From Exchanges.

Work began on the Nakomis cotton mill Tuesday morning, and will be completed by November 1st. The capital stock now raised is \$150,000 and the sum total of \$200,000 will be raised by the time the building is finished. The company finds the present dam on the mill site insufficient, and will either build the dam twelve feet higher or erect a cooling tower.—Davidson Dis-

A POINTED PARALLEL.

PEOPLES PARTY PLATFORM

Adopted. Unanimously in Convention,
April 18th, 1900.

The degree of recklessness or ignorance of facts—perhaps both—which some partisan papers show when they want to "illustrate," pass honest human understanding. The high degree of "respectability" claimed by some such papers appears to interpose no bar to such recklessness or ignorance.

On the 24th inst., the people of Virginia voted on the question of ordering a convention for revising the State constitution, which convention it is supposed will undertake to manipulate the franchise something after the manner now being attempted in North Carolina. The Democratic machine favored the convention. The Washington Post of the 25th contained a report of the day sent out from Richmond, and the Charlotte Observer, on the 26th, had an editorial on the event.

It is quite natural to suppose that the information from Richmond, the centre of the State, would be quite as "reliable" as the statement of the Charlotte paper. Let's compare the dispatch and the editorial.

The Dispatches:

"In only a few sections do the negroes appear to have been sufficiently aroused to the danger of having their right to vote taken away from them to go to the polls in great numbers."

"A notable feature of the election is the fact that the Ninth district, with its big white vote, has gone against disfranchising the negro, while the counties of the black belt almost without exception gave Democratic majorities."

"The vote for several reasons, was not large, but the indications are that the convention proposition carried by a good majority. The rain and the general apathy existing account for the small vote."

"The ninth, a big white district, has gone in its favor, and the indications are that it is against the convention. The first is very doubtful. Northampton is for it, but other counties heard from in part are against it and unless Acoemac comes up with a big majority the district is against it.

(Take the case, gentlemen.—Ed.)

TROUBLE IN GEORGIA & SOUTH CAROLINA.

A Husband Sees His Wife Shot—Farmer Boddy Shot Dead at the Table.

Mrs. Mamie Caddell was shot and killed yesterday by Mrs. Lilly Garner, at Blocton, Ga., on May 29th. The murderer had been living with Caddell, her victim's husband.

The wife left home, but returned to get some of her belongings when she was shot down by the Garner woman, the husband looking on, but offering no interference. Mrs. Garner and Mr. Caddell were arrested and spirited away to Centreville to avoid mob violence, which was threatened.

A special from Columbia, S. C., says:

"A few days ago John Boyd, a farmer in Darlington county, had a quarrel with a negro on his place and flogged him up and whipped him. Boyd was at supper to-night, when he was shot dead. A crowd of men with bloodhounds are on the track of the murderer. The negro who was whipped is supposed to have done the killing.

THAT THROBBING HEADACHE.

Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. These pills have proved their matchless merits for Sick and Headaches, Neuralgia, Rheumatism, Blood and Nerves and build up your health. Easy to take. Try them. Only 25 cents. Money back if not cured. Sold by all Druggists.

A Surprise in Kentucky.

The court of appeals surprised both of the contending political factions by refusing to act on either of the motions pending in that court until they are docketed in the usual way and on which hung the disposition of the minor state offices. The effect of this is to lay the trial of the last Legislature their deeds show without question that they were legalizing for thieves and robbers, by their abrupt, notorious, abominable, diabolical and unconstitutional amendment.

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